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FORT HOOD SOLDIERS WILL BE HONORED AT RETIREMENT CEREMONY

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FORT HOOD, Texas – Ten Fort Hood Soldiers will be honored at a formal retirement ceremony at Club Hood, on Feb. 26 at 10 a.m.

The senior retiree at the ceremony will be Lt. Col. Brian M. McMurry, and served as the Chief of Fuels, Petroleum and Lubricants, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Joint Forces Command, Brunssum, Netherlands.

McMurry will retire after 20 years of service. During his career he served in Germany, Netherlands, Hawaii, Afghanistan, Bosnia, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. His awards include the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the NATO Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation and the Army Achievement Medal.

Upon his retirement, Lt. Col. Brian McMurry, will reside in Harker Heights, Texas.

Other Soldiers being honored upon their retirement from active duty include:

Maj. James A. Womack, he served as Field Representative, National Reconnaissance Office, National Intelligence Agency, Fort Hood, Texas. He has completed 32 years of service to include overseas tours in Germany, Yugoslavia, and numerous stateside assignments. Womack's awards and decorations include Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. After his retirement, Womack will reside in Killeen, Texas.

Command Sgt. Maj. Brouston Hale, Jr., he served as Command Sgt. Maj., 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry, 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. He has completed 28 years of service to include overseas tours in Germany, Kuwait, Kosovo, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. Hale's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. After retirement, Hale will reside in Killeen, Texas.

Sgt. Maj. Augustine Flores, he served as Command Aviation Operations Sgt. Maj., Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Combat Aviation Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. He has completed 28 years of service to include overseas tours in Greece, Germany, Bosnia, Afghanistan, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. Flores's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. After retirement, Flores will reside in Killeen, Texas.

1st Sgt. Harry W. Feyer, he served as 1st Sgt., 13th Chemical Company, 2nd Chemical Battalion, 48th Chemical Brigade, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas. He has completed 22 years of service, to include tours in Germany, Korea, Alaska, Kuwait, and numerous stateside assignments. His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. Feyer will reside in Killeen, Texas.

Sgt. 1st Class Willie B. Douglas, he served as 1st Sgt., 13th Chemical Company, 2nd Chemical Battalion, 48th Chemical Brigade, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas. He has completed 22 years of service, to include tours in Bosnia, Germany, Saudi Arabia, Honduras, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. His awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. Douglas will reside in Killeen, Texas.

Sgt. 1st Class Lawrence J. Suino, Jr., he served as Rear Detachment 1st Sgt., Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. He has completed 21 years of service, to include tours in Germany, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. Suino will reside in Killeen, Texas.

Sgt. 1st Class Reinaldo H. Mendez II, he served as an Aviation Operations Specialist, Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 13th Aviation Regiment, Fort Rucker, Alabama. He has completed 22 years of service, to include tours in Germany, Korea, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. His awards and decorations include the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. Mendez will reside in Killeen, Texas.

Staff Sgt. Benjamin D. Marshall, he served as a Multiple Launch Rocket Systems Operator, Fire Direction Control, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 21st Field Artillery, 41st Fires Brigade, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas. Marshall has completed 20 years of service to include tours in Germany, Korea, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. His awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal, and the Navy Achievement Medal. After retirement Marshall will reside in Nolanville, Texas.

Sgt. Jose F. Martinez, served as Petroleum Supply Specialist, Echo Forward Support Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. Martinez has completed 20 years of service to include tours in Korea, Iraq, and numerous stateside assignments. His awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. After retirement Marshall will reside in Fort Hood, Texas.

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